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Honorable Jon Kyl House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Congressman Kyl:

This is in reply to your letter of February 4, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, William E. Heuermann, Jr., regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235. 57 FR 54034 (1992).

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take into careful consideration all their comments. Your constituent's concerns will be fully evaluated when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Comments on the proposals set forth in the Notice are due May 28, 1993, and Reply Comments are due July 14, 1993. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994. We urge your constituent to file formal comments on all aspects of the proposals.

Chief, Private Radio Bureau

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Sir/Madam:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

JON KYL, M.C.

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Many of us, myself included, participate in competitive activities involving hundreds of contestants. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment, not only for ourselves, but for spectators as well.

I do not think it wise of the FCC to expand the operational scope of land mobile radios at the expense of RC modelers. Perhaps the FCC believes that the use of RC for the enjoyment of our hobby lacks the commercial importance of mobile radios. However, the hobby affords many hours of enjoyment to thousands of persons throughout the U.S., and it has contributed and continues to contribute to the advancement and development of aerospace applications. As you may be aware, many of this country's noted engineers, scientists and astronauts began their careers as a result of scientific interest originally piqued by model aviation. In addition, model aviation, including RC, has proved to be a significant force in developing positive values among teenagers. There are documented instances in which this hobby has played a significant role in effectively combatting gang activity by presenting a constructive alternative.

Please help me, as well as countless others to continue to enjoy my hobby safely. Please vote "no" on the FCC proposal to modify the use of the 72 to 76 mHz frequency band.

Sincerely,

William E. Heuermann, Jr.

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